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Dear Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 04-1030.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §1.98, Applicant respectfully submits herewith an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and 1.97(e), and informs the United States Patent and Trademark Office of information which may be material to the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The following U.S. Patent, which comprise the aforementioned information, is as follows:

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| 5,330,720 | 19 Jul. 1994 | Sorbo et al. | |

The information presented herein further comprises the following foreign references:

| Country/Doc. No. | Pub. Date | Basis for relevance |
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| DE 32 46 227 A1 | 14 Dec. 1982 | Pipe leakage detection apparatus, especially for nuclear plants, comprising local monitoring chambers within insulation cladding containing detectors for radioactivity, pressure, temperature or humidity |
| EP 0 240 620 A1 | 14 Oct. 1987 | English document |
| CH 682416 A5 | 25 May 1990 | Sealing connector for leaking ducts; as a split collar clamps a sealing joint around a leak, a tap allows water to escape while the collar is being mounted |
| GB 2 226 417 A | 27 Jun. 1990 | English document |
| WO 01/44773 A2 | 21 Jun. 2001 | English abstract |
| WO 02/088656 A1 | 7 Nov. 2002 | English document |

Copies of the foregoing non-US references are attached for consideration by the Examiner.

Applicant is filing herewith a Request for Continued Examination, with the requisite fee, to enable consideration of the present Information Disclosure Statement. Consideration of the foregoing information, and return of an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 attached hereto, are respectfully solicited.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 456-8400 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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